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Ms. Emma Best
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Reference: F-2019-00283

Dear Ms. Best:

This is a final response to your 30 October 2018 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for **records on the following Dept. of Commerce personnel: James F. Wagner, Chief, Central Accounting Branch; Gunther A. Bauer, Assistant Special Agent in charge of Intelligence, Liaison and Security Investigations Staff, Arlington, VA; Rodney D. Bennett, Patent Office Examiner, Department of Commerce; Charles B. Clements, Director of Investigations Staff, Office of Export Control; C. Marshall Dann, Commissioner of Patents, Department of Commerce; Edward Epstein, Director, Environmental Services, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Thomas A. Gary, Chief, Financial Management Section, Budget Division, National Bureau of Standards, Department of Commerce; Ernest Ambler, Deputy Director, National Bureau of Standards, Department of Commerce. This request may be limited to the beginning of 1970 through the end of 1979.** We processed your request in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended, and the CIA Information Act, 50 U.S.C. § 3141, as amended.

We did not locate any records responsive to your request. Although our searches were reasonably calculated to uncover all relevant documents, and it is highly unlikely that repeating those searches would change the result, you nevertheless have the legal right to appeal the finding of no records responsive to your request. As the CIA Information and Privacy Coordinator, I am the CIA official responsible for this determination. You have the right to appeal this response to the Agency Release Panel, in my care, within 90 days from the date of this letter. Please include the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions regarding our response, you may contact us at:

Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, DC 20505
Information and Privacy Coordinator
703-613-3007 (Fax)

Please be advised that you may seek dispute resolution services from the CIA's FOIA Public Liaison or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) of the National Archives and Records Administration. OGIS offers mediation services to help resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies. You may reach CIA's FOIA Public Liaison at:

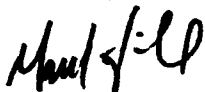
703-613-1287 (FOIA Hotline)

The contact information for OGIS is:

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Contacting the CIA's FOIA Public Liaison or OGIS does not affect your right to pursue an administrative appeal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Lilly' with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark Lilly
Information and Privacy Coordinator